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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 8339.0063-00



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
James R. Lavoie et al.) Group Art Unit: 3713
Application No.: 09/689,841) Examiner: Aaron L. Enatsky
Filed: October 13, 2000)
For: SYSTEM, METHOD, AND)
ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE)
FOR GAMING FROM AN)
OFF-SITE LOCATION)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated January 14, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 17, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, and 34, and please add claims 35 and 36 as follows:

Sho. D' > 1. (Thrice Amended) A gaming method, comprising:
receiving, at a server, a purchase request for at least one wager from a first client terminal before game play has begun;
determining, at the server, the results of the at least one wager before game play has begun;

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of January 14, 2003. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	36	-	34	2	x \$ 18	\$ 36.00
Indep.	15	-	13	2	x \$ 84	\$ 168.00
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					TOTAL	\$ 204.00

- A fee of \$204.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- A check for \$204.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Dated: April 8, 2003

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